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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory:

CONNECTICUT

DEFINITION OF SPECIALIZED SERVICES

Mental Retardation

Specialized services are defined as services recommended by qualified mental retardation or developmental disability specialists that are necessary to achieve the habilitative objectives identified in an individual's program plan, but do not fall within the usual and customary scope of nursing facility services. Many of the services identified in a program plan for individuals with mental retardation or another developmental disability that are necessary to achieving the habilitative objectives are the very same services nursing facilities customarily provide. However, in some situations, certain individuals with mental retardation or another developmental disability many need more specialized services than the nursing facility is customarily expected to provide.

These "specialized services" included:

- behavior modification/management
- out of facility recreational opportunities beyond that provided by nursing facilities
- vocational and day programming services adaptive equipment not otherwise obtainable
- habilitation services

Mental Health

Specialized services are those services provided to a person experiencing an acute episode of mental illness during which the person is a danger to him/herself or others, or is gravely disabled, and requires 24- hour supervision by qualified mental health professionals.